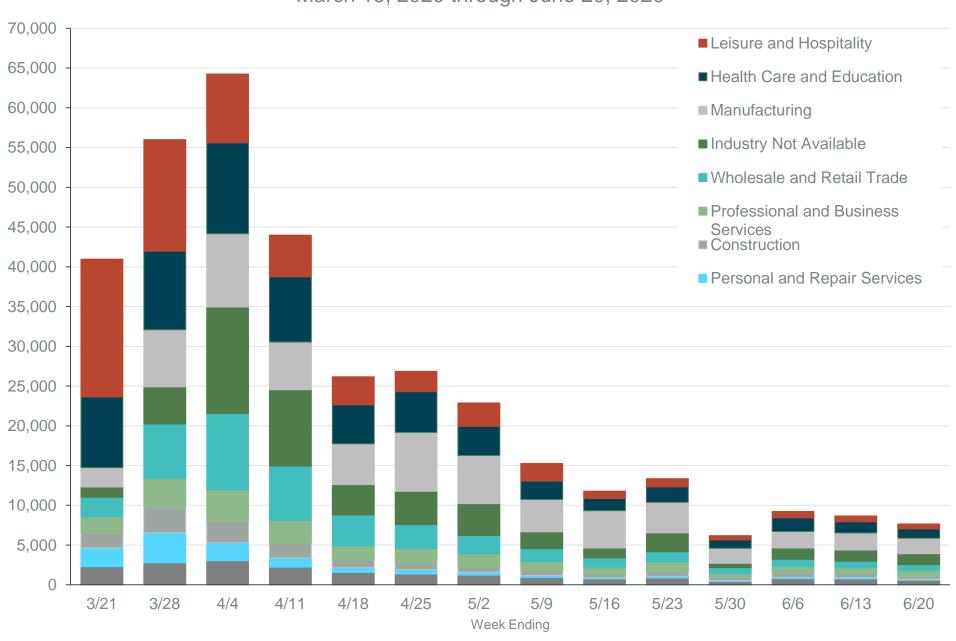


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#### **UI** Initial Claims by Industry

March 15, 2020 through June 20, 2020



#### March 14 – June 20

#### Regular UI Benefits Paid

- \$572,273,870.92
- Initial Claims: 359,669 Continued Weeks: 2,006,134

#### Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA)

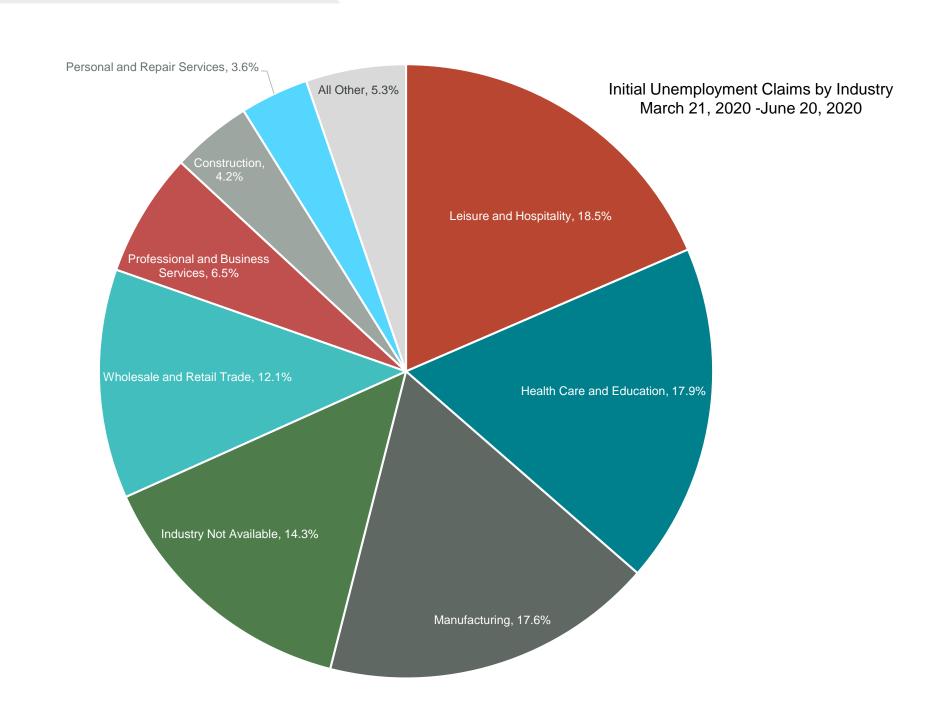
- \$56,263,041.46
- Payments: 138,736

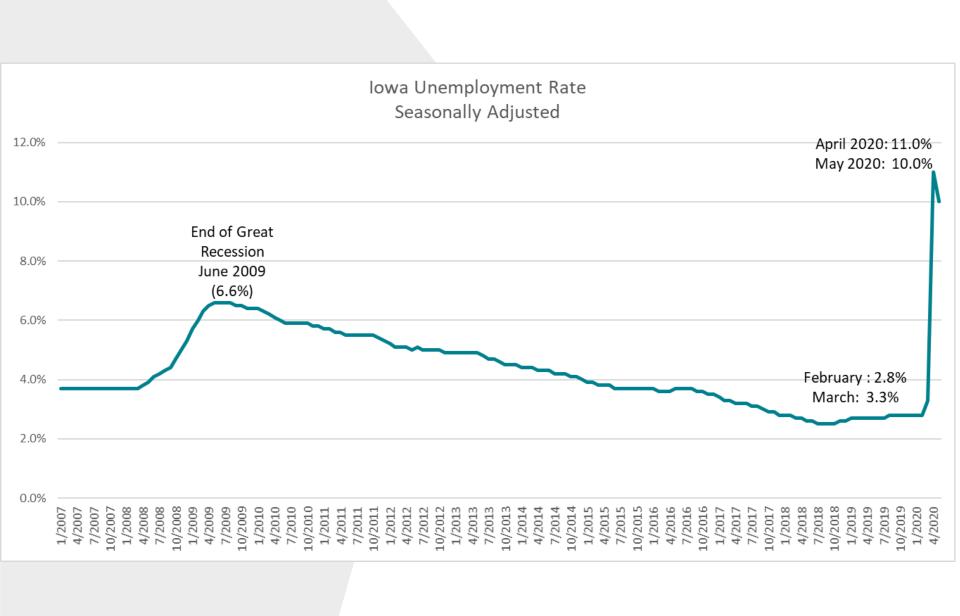
#### Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC)

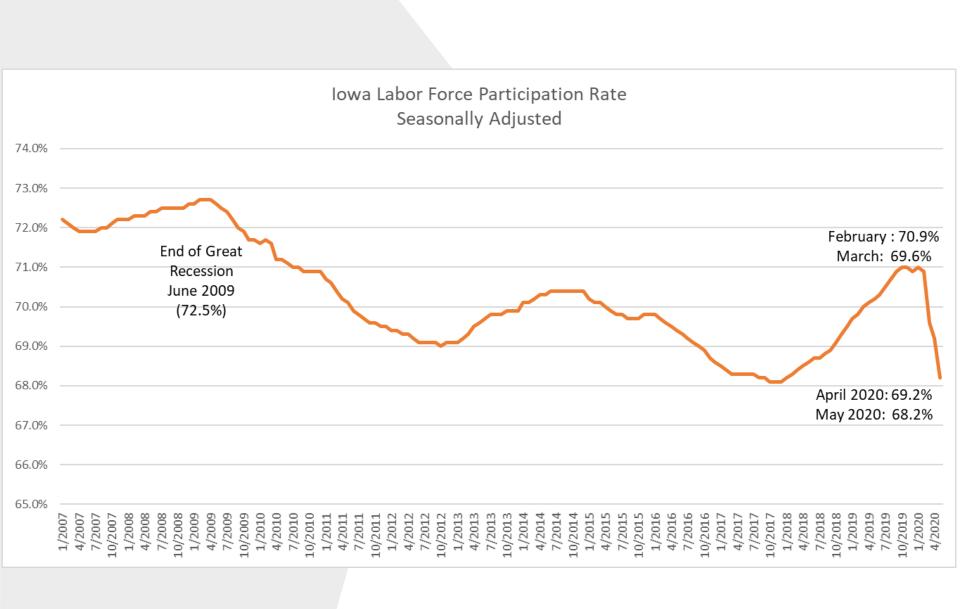
- \$18,242,482.97
- Payments: 25,098

#### Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC)

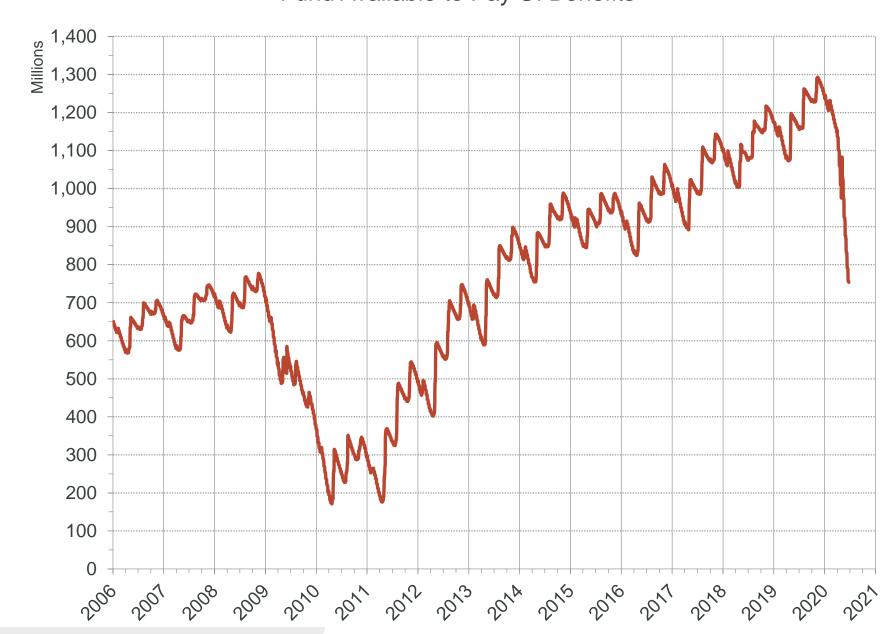
- \$1,055,653,200.00
- Payments: 1,537,148







## Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund Balance Fund Available to Pay UI Benefits





# PROFILE OF IOWA'S UNEMPLOYED PERSONS

(UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT RECIPIENTS)

\*Data for this report represent claimants who filed

a UI claim the week including the 12th of the month.

#### **GENDER**

56% of claimants were FEMALE

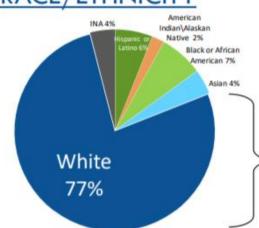


42% of claimants were MALE

2% of gender responses, N/A

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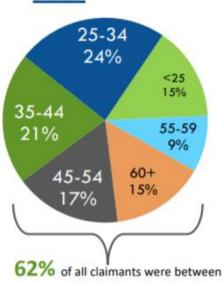
#### RACE/ETHNICITY



77% of all claimants were white

followed by **7%** Black or African American.



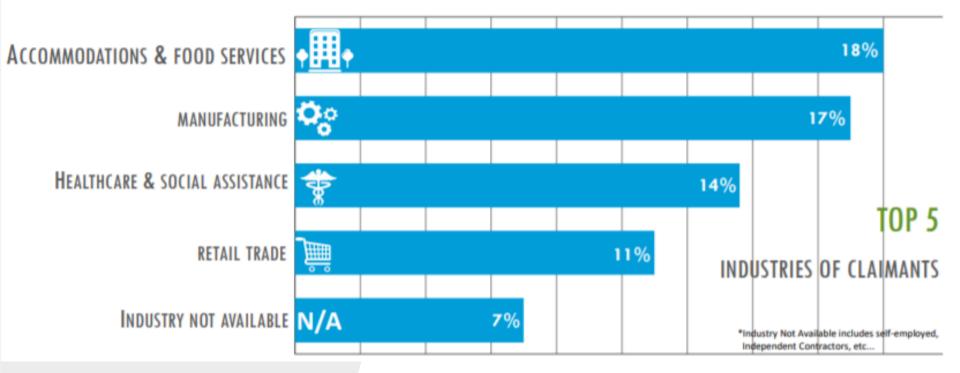


the ages of 25 & 54.



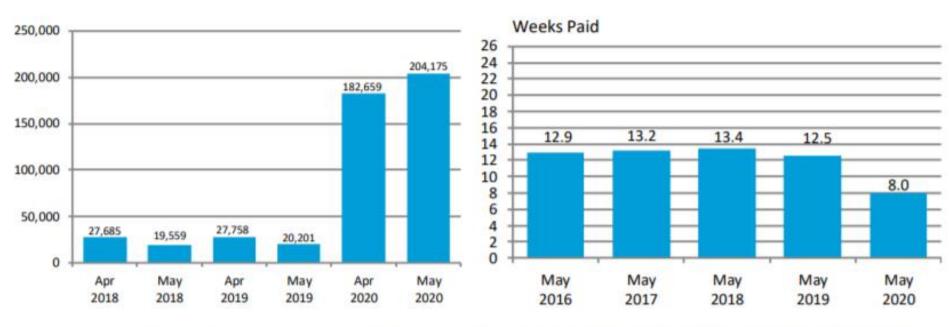
### **INDUSTRY**





#### NUMBER OF UI RECIPIENTS

## DURATION OF UI BENEFITS 12 MONTH AVG.



- Recipients represent the number of persons receiving at least one UI benefit payment during the month.
- The number of UI recipients for May 2020 (204,175) increased by 21,516 from the recipient number in April 2020 (182,659) primarily due to COVID-19 shutdowns. The industries most affected are Accommodations and Food Services, Manufacturing, Health Care and Social Services and Retail Trade.
- The maximum duration of UI benefits for most UI claimants is 26 weeks., unless extended benefits are triggered due to high unemployment.
- The duration of benefits for May 2020 was 8 weeks, an increase from April 2020 when the duration of benefits was at 7 weeks, and a sharp decline from May of 2019 when the duration of benefits was at 12.5 weeks due to the rise in unemployment insurance claims.

Source: Iowa Unemployment Insurance Statistics. Note: The UI system was primarily designed to serve people who lost their last job. These characteristics do not necessarily reflect job leavers, new entrants, reentrants, and benefit exhaustees.

According to the UI Data Summary publication, about 38% of unemployed persons in Iowa received UI benefits.

# Comparison of High Quarter Average Weekly Wage to Individual Claimant's Weekly Benefit Amount Weekly Benefit Amount Includes Regular UI Benefit Plus \$600 FPUC Payment New or Additional Regular UI Benefit Claims Filed March 15 to June 5, 2020

		Weekly Benefit Amount Exceeds Weekly Wage							
	Total	Yes			No				
High Quarter	Number	Number		Average		Number		Average	
Average	of	of	Weekly	Weekly		of	Weekly	Weekly	
Weekly Wage	Claimants	Claimants	Benefit	Wage	Difference	Claimants	Benefit	Wage	Difference
\$120-\$200	12,503	12,503	\$ 695	\$ 166	5 \$ 529	0	0	0	0
\$201-\$400	43,837	43,837	\$ 775	\$ 303	3 \$ 472	2 0	0	0	0
\$401-\$600	47,919	47,919	\$ 891	\$ 502	\$ 390	0	0	0	0
\$601-\$800	45,419	45,419	\$ 1,007	\$ 698	3 \$ 309	0	0	0	0
\$801-\$1,000	34,136	34,136	\$ 1,091	\$ 895	5 \$ 196	0	0	0	0
\$1,001-\$1,200	22,386	11,973	\$ 1,102	\$ 1,050	) \$ 53	10,413	\$ 1,091	\$ 1,143	\$ (52)
\$1,201-\$1,500	19,186	0		o l	0	0 19,186	\$ 1,099	\$ 1,335	\$ (236)
\$1,501-\$2,000	14,383	0		o l	0	0 14,383	\$ 1,101	\$ 1,704	\$ (603)
\$2,001-\$3,000	6,228	0		o l	0	0 6,228	\$ 1,104	\$ 2,344	\$ (1,240)
\$3,001-\$5,000	1,777	0			0	0 1,777	\$ 1,110	\$ 3,681	\$ (2,571)
OVER \$5,000	633	0		ס	0	0 633	\$ 1,114	\$ 6,801	\$ (5,687)
Total	248,407	195,787	92	7 58	3 34	52,620	\$ 1,099	\$ 1,662	\$ (563)
Percent of Claimants	100%	79%				21%			

The average weekly wage was computed by dividing base period high quarter wages by 13.

Be	Additional nefit Amount	# Claimants Exceeding Weekly Wage*	% Claimants Exceeding Weekly Wage*
\$	50	147	0.1%
\$	100	19,794	8.0%
\$	150	46,631	18.8%
\$	200	75,279	30.3%
\$	250	104,514	42.1%
\$	285	124,348	50.1%
\$	300	132,271	53.2%
\$	350	154,946	62.4%
\$	400	167,205	67.3%
\$	450	175,295	70.6%
\$	500	182,961	73.7%
\$	550	189,796	76.4%
\$	600	195,854	78.8%

<sup>\*</sup>Estimate based upon claimants high quarterly weekly wage

#### Fraud-Identity Theft

Confirmed Claims: 271

Probable Claims (Still Investigating): 448

Fraudulent benefits paid from regular UI Benefits

- \$57,024

Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC)

- \$82,200

Amount Prevented from payment for Fraudulent Claims

- \$3,880,744

#### **Fact Findings**

- Since May 1, 2020: 21,487 (300% increase from 2019)
  - May 1, 2019 June 24, 2019: 7,134
- Pending: 10,000+
- Employer Job Refusals Reported Online: 3,900+

#### Voluntary Shared Work

- Employer VSW plans approved: 192
- Employees included in the VSW plans: 8,741
- Employees currently receiving VSW payments: 1,548



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